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Honorable Gabriel W. Gorenstein United States Magistrate Judge United States District Court 500 Pearl Street New York, New York 10007

Re: Javier Martinez v. Astrue 07 Civ. 3156 (WHP) (GWG)

Dear Judge Gorenstein:

The briefing schedule in the above-referenced Social Security case requires the Government to move for judgment on the pleadings by December 21, 2007, plaintiff to crossmove for judgment on the pleadings by January 22, 2008, and the Government to reply by February 5, 2008. We write respectfully to request that the briefing schedule be adjourned for approximately 30 days as follows: Government's motion by January 23, 2008, plaintiff's motion by February 22, 2008, and the Government's reply by March 7, 2008. The reason for this request is to accommodate the vacation plans of defendant's counsel. We attempted to obtain plaintiff's consent to this proposed adjournment, but plaintiff's counsel did not return telephone messages left on December 18 and 20, 2007. One prior adjournment of the briefing schedule was granted. We appreciate the Court's consideration of this request.

Respectfully,

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